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City Manager's Review Board Members Appointed

Board Members Convening to Begin Work on Community-Police Relations

STOCKTON, Calif. – On July 15, 2020, City Manager Harry Black and Stockton Police Chief Eric Jones held a press conference announcing the newly formed City Manager's Review Board. Twenty-five (25) Board Members have been selected, and the Board will begin its work, convening next week on October 1. The Board includes a diverse cross section of community leaders and members, along with industry subject matter experts, who offer diverse perspectives. Among the members are City administrators and members of the Stockton Police Department.

As announced in July, the Board, through its analysis of policies and practices, will provide insight, guidance, monitoring, and recommendations on community-police relations and will serve to support the City in its ongoing continuous improvement efforts to collaboratively promote comprehensive public safety strategies, and to build, enhance, and expand relationships with the community.

"We are very pleased that so many people, who are already serving the community in so many ways, have agreed to provide their perspectives and expertise at such an important time," shared City Manager Harry Black. "Community problem oriented policing

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and place-based strategies development builds bridges and relationships between the community and the police. We look forward to working together on these critical efforts."

The work of the Board will focus on a continuous review of policies and practices by reviewing and analyzing data related to citizen complaints, police calls for service, traffic stops, crime statistics, officer involved shootings, and use of force, as well as assaults on police officers and other categories.

The Stockton Police Department has been part of the National Initiative on Building Community Trust and Justice shared Chief Eric Jones. "Our world is changing so rapidly that we must remain in constant communication with the community and adapt to changing views and norms, which is only possible by analyzing the data and listening."

"Some of the information that Board Members will be exposed to is confidential.

For that reason, the Board Members have been asked to sign a Statement of Principles & Participation Agreement, affirming their role on the Board," continued City Manager Black.

Board Members, agendas, presentation slides, meeting minutes and reports will be posted to the City's website and accessible from the CMRB webpage at www.stocktonca.gov/CMRB. For additional information, please call (209) 937-8827.

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